



2008 AAU JUNIOR OLYMPIC GAMES JUMP ROPE



LOCATION:	Rock Financial Showplace, 46100 Grand River, Novi, MI 48374		
DATES:	Tuesday, July 29, 2008	Check-In, Practice, Coaches Meeting	Rock Financial Showplace
	Wednesday, July 30, 2008	Competition	Rock Financial Showplace
	Thursday, July 31, 2008	Competition	Rock Financial Showplace
	Friday, August 1, 2008	Competition	Rock Financial Showplace
	Saturday, August 2, 2008	Competition	Rock Financial Showplace
	Monday, July 28, 2008	Celebration of Athletes	Eastern Michigan University

AAU MEMBERSHIP: **All athletes, coaches and officials must be current members of the AAU and be able to present their 2008 AAU membership card at check-in.** AAU membership is \$12.00 per youth athlete and adult athlete (18-22), and \$14.00 per non-athlete (coach/official). The cost of membership is in addition to the entry fee. All athletes and coaches should have already purchased a membership card prior to the qualifying tournament. To become a member, join online at www.ausports.org.

ENTRY FEE: \$40.00 per athlete and \$40.00 per coach. All fees are non-refundable. The entry fee is in addition to the AAU membership card.

ENTRY PROCESS & DEADLINE: All registration materials must be **received** no later than **Monday, July 7. ANY ENTRY FORM (S) NOT RECEIVED BY THE ABOVE-MENTIONED DEADLINE DATE MAY NOT BE ACCEPTED!**

Registration for the Jump Rope events is a two-part process:

STEP #1: COACHES must enter athletes into events by completing the **JUMP ROPE TEAM ENTRY FORMS**. These forms should be obtained at your qualifying tournament in addition to the entry packet. Forms must be mailed or faxed by **Monday, July 7**, directly to **Jean Hodges, 34004 N. Heron Dr, Lewes, DE 19958, 302-945-1627 (tel/fax, call first to fax)**. If you need additional TEAM ENTRY FORMS visit the web site at www.aaujrogames.org.

STEP #2: ATHLETES and COACHES must register online at www.aaujrogames.org and pay the entry fee. Visa, MasterCard, Discover and American Express accepted. You will need your 2008 AAU membership number at the time of registering online. Once you have registered online, you will receive an email confirming your entry and acceptance of payment.

QUALIFICATION: Participation in the JUMP ROPE event requires qualifying at one of the designated AAU Junior Olympic Games Jump Rope Qualifying Tournaments to be held at different geographic locations at various times. For more information on qualifying tournaments, contact Jean Hodges at 302-945-1627 or jeanhodges45@verizon.net or visit the web site at www.ausports.org. Non-US athletes should refer to the web site and the 2008 AAU Jump Rope Handbook on how to qualify.

COMPETITION FORMAT: The Technical Committee reserves the right to eliminate, add or combine events in response to the number and distribution of entries.

When the number of entries exceeds 30 in singles, pairs or Double Dutch divisions, only the top ranked athletes after the speed and power events will compete in freestyle.

Competition will consist of the following four events: (1) Individual rope singles Triple Crown Competition (Speed - Power - Finesse/Freestyle). (2) Individual rope pairs Triple Crown Competition (Speed - Power - Finesse/Freestyle). (3) Double Dutch Pentathlon combining five events that are specified in the AAU Jump Rope Manual. (4) Group Routine.

COACHES & OFFICIALS: All coaches and officials must be registered members of the AAU. **Teams must nominate officials in a ratio of 1 official per 4 athletes. The Officials' Registration forms must be mailed or faxed by July 7 directly to Jean Hodges, 34004 N. Heron Dr., Lewes, DE 19958, 302-945-1627 (call first to fax).** All officials should be dressed in white shirts and navy pants, skirts or shorts and athletic shoes.

RULES: The 2008 AAU rules of competition will apply. To obtain a copy of the 2008 AAU Jump Rope Rulebook (Handbook), please visit our web site at www.ausports.org.

EVENTS &

AGE DIVISIONS:

Singles: 8 and under, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13-14, 15-17, 18-22 (*Boys and Girls Singles compete separately*)

Pairs: 8 and under, 9-10, 11-12, 13-14, 15-17, 18-22 (*Pairs may be mixed gender*)

Double Dutch: 12 and under, 13-14, 15-17, 18-22

Group: 13 and under, 14-22 (*Teams may be mixed gender*)

AGE DETERMINATION:

The competitor's age is determined by December 31st of the competition year. Whatever the age of the competitor on December 31, 2008 is competitor's official competition age for the 2008 competition year. Proof must be provided if challenged (certified birth certificate or comparable legal document).

AWARDS:

AAU Junior Olympic Games medals will be awarded to the top three (3) individual athletes per combined event in each age category of each division. A team plaque will be awarded to the top three (3) teams in the Group Routine. Medals will be awarded to the first three place winners of the component events and ribbons will be awarded for 4th through 10th place. All participants will receive a T-shirt commemorating the event. The Technical Committee may change awards given.

SOUND EQUIPMENT:

Sound equipment will be provided. Each individual or team is responsible for providing the accompaniment to the Sound Manager on a standard CD. CD's should be clearly marked with the competitor's team name. No volume adjustments will be made. The volume and quality of the accompaniment are the responsibility of the competitor and not the Sound Manager. Volume or quality of sound will not be judged. CD's must be cued so the music begins immediately when pressing the start button. CD's must be compatible with standard audio systems. A back-up CD should be available.

CHECK-IN:

Pre-Registration: It is extremely important that all entries be received no later than the above-mentioned deadline date. **ENTRY FORM(S) RECEIVED BEYOND THAT DATE WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED!** Of course, we want as many athletes as possible to participate, so please get all entry forms in on time. Again, guaranteed overnight delivery will become mandatory if it is the only way to ensure compliance with the deadline date. **Team entry forms must also be received by the deadline in order for athletes to be entered in the events.**

On-Site Check-In: Check-In for JUMP ROPE participants will be held at the Rock Financial Showplace located at 46100 Grand River Avenue, Novi, MI 48374. A \$5 per day parking fee will apply. Please follow the posted signs to the Check-In Area. For check-in hours, mapping and additional directions please visit www.aaujrogames.org.

NOTE: In addition to checking in to receive your credential, Team Coaches MUST also check in at the Jump Rope sport table.

PARKING:

Parking is \$5 per day at the Rock Financial Showplace. Please visit www.aaujrogames.org for additional parking information.

HOUSING:

The Detroit Metro Convention and Visitors Bureau will handle **all** requests for hotels. **Visit www.aaujrogames.org to make reservations, view hotel lists, maps and more.** For assistance, please call the Detroit Metro Convention & Visitors Bureau at (800) DETROIT or (800) 338-7648. You will need to have the following information ready when making reservations:

1. The sport in which you will compete
2. The number of people in your party
3. The number of rooms you need
4. Your arrival and departure dates
5. Your credit card number

Important: Please check online or with the Detroit Metro Convention & Visitors Bureau regarding deposit requirements and cancellation policies. AAU is not responsible for any refunds from cancellations.

CELEBRATION OF ATHLETES:

The 2008 AAU Junior Olympic Games **Celebration of Athletes** will be held on Monday, July 28 at 7:30 p.m. on the campus of Eastern Michigan University at Olds-Marshall Track. All athletes are encouraged to attend, as you won't want to miss this year's celebration. Check the web site at www.aaujrogames.org for more announcements on the **Celebration of Athletes**.

TRANSPORTATION:

All participants and spectators are responsible for their own transportation to and from all activities, events, and hotels.

SECURITY:

All 2008 AAU Junior Olympic Games facilities maintain the right to search any bags, backpacks, purses, jackets, etc. throughout the duration of the 2008 AAU Junior Olympic Games.

FOOD:

All 2008 AAU Junior Olympic Games facilities maintain exclusive rights to concessions. Outside food and beverage are not permitted throughout the duration of the 2008 AAU Junior Olympic Games. No coolers at any venue.

NO GUARANTEE:

The AAU can not and does not guarantee the appearance and/or participation of specific participant(s) and/or teams (as applicable) in this event. The AAU has sanctioned (approved) this Event as an official AAU Event (competition), but the AAU is not and shall not be responsible for any participant's or spectator's expenses related to this Event (nor reimbursements for same) in case of dissatisfaction of any participant, friend, family, or spectator, this includes, but is not limited to all travel, hotel (lodging), food, entry fees and/or any other expenses related to the event.

ADMISSION FEE:

Admission to all venues and the Celebration of Athletes for credentialed participants is included in your entry fee. Please note that you must check-in and pick up your athlete or coach credential prior to receiving admittance into any venue, including the Celebration of Athletes. All other spectators will be able to enjoy any of the sporting events and ceremonies throughout the 2008 AAU Junior Olympic Games by purchasing an admission ticket that is valid for all the sports involved in the Games. For more information on ticket options, please visit www.aaujrogames.org.

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COMPETITION AND MEETING SCHEDULE

(Competition times - Subject to change based on number of entries)

TUESDAY, JULY 29, 2008

10:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Athlete and Coaches Check-In	Rock Financial Showplace
9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Practice	Rock Financial Showplace
5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Coaches/Judges Meeting - Jump-Rope	Rock Financial Showplace

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 2008

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Coaches and Judges Meeting	Rock Financial Showplace
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Competition	Rock Financial Showplace

THURSDAY, JULY 31, 2008

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Coaches and Judges Meeting	Rock Financial Showplace
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Competition	Rock Financial Showplace

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1, 2008

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Coaches and Judges Meeting	Rock Financial Showplace
9:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Competition	Rock Financial Showplace

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2, 2008

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	AAU Jump Rope Coaches/Officials OPEN Meeting	Rock Financial Showplace
9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	AAU Jump Rope Judges Briefing	Rock Financial Showplace
9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Competition	Rock Financial Showplace
4:00 p.m.	Awards Ceremony	Rock Financial Showplace

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:

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